	Application No.	Applicant(s)
Notice of Allowability	09/599,806	RUTHFIELD ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Steven P Sax	2174	

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to *Examiner's amendment 1/6/05*.

2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are *1-3,6-20,32-41,53 and 56-58*.

3. ☒ The drawings filed on *21 June 2000* are accepted by the Examiner.

4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

     a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some*   c) ☐ None   of the:

         1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

         2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____ .

         3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the

            International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

    * Certified copies not received: _____ .

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.

6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.

     (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached

         1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

     (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of

         Paper No./Mail Date _____ .

    Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date *10/1/04*

4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)

6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date *1/6/05* .

7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

9. ☐ Other _____ .

STEVEN SAX
PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

1.   This application has been examined. The amendment filed 8/30/04 has been

entered.

2.   An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. This was made to

overcome additional art found in an updated search, and to bring the application into

condition for allowance. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to

applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure

consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment

of the issue fee.

3.   In independent claim 1, at the end, please insert:

", wherein said displaying is accomplished by the single application program using a

navigable window comprising a single window, the application program being

configured to navigate the single window between different contexts responsive to the

user selecting a quick link;

        displaying user-engagable indicia, each of which being associated with one or

more quick links, said indicia being configured for engagement by a user so that the

user can view the associated one or more quick links."

        Please delete claim 4.

Please delete claim 5.

In independent claim 15:

Line 7 at the end, please change "types;" to "types and different contexts;"

Line 8, between "window" and "within" please insert "associated with a first

context"

Line 16, between "task" and ";and" please insert "each in a context

separate from each other"

Line 17, after "functionality" delete the "," and please insert "and context,"

Line 18, after functionalities delete the "," and please insert "and contexts,"

Line 19 between "functionality" and "within" please insert "or context"

Please delete claims 21-31.

In independent claim 32:

Please delete line 9, and replace with "without changing the first context,

and using the single application program, displaying multiple quick links that are

associated with multiple contexts that are"

Line 10, please delete "link" and replace with "links"

Line 11, please delete "link" and replace with "links"

Line 12, please delete "context" and replace with "contexts,"

At the end, please insert:

", wherein each context is associated with a functionality that enables a user to accomplish various tasks that are different from the one or more tasks that the user can accomplish using the first contextual display;

displaying user-engagable indicia, each of which being associated with one or more quick links, said indicia being configured for engagement by a user so that the user can view the associated one or more quick links."

Please delete claims 42-52.

In independent claim 53:

Line 5, between "functionalities" and "that" please insert "in different contexts"

Line 17, after "functionalities" please insert "and contexts,"

At the end, please insert:

"wherein the user interface comprises at least one command area that is configured to present context-sensitive commands that automatically change as the user's context changes when they navigate to and between the multiple different functionalities, said at least command area configured to display a context block that contains multiple algorithms from which a user can select to vary a list of quick links that are displayed for the user."

Please delete claims 54-55

In independent claim 56 line 1, please change "55" to "56"

Please delete claims 61-62 and 68.

4.   Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Lance Sadler on 1/6/05.

5.   The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The Examiner's Amendment 1/6/05, in addition to the amendment filed 8/30/04, puts the application into condition for allowance by incorporating into all remaining independent claims the features of the first contextual display and navigating to multiple contexts associated with multiple different functionalities using the quick links by associated indicia, yet within the first context and without changing the single application window. The Examiner's Amendment also cancels claims 21-31, 42-52, 61-62, 68 which pertain to broader versions of the claims. Thus for example a user working within a web browser functionality can view quick links associated with email functionality without having to change their web browsing context.   Additional art such as Ellis et al show quick links to other functionalities and contexts, but not without leaving the first context or application program based on engagable indicia to display the quick links in the first contextual display. The combination of features in the claims as amended are not set forth in the prior art of record.

Independent claims: 1 amended – the method. 15 amended – the computer readable media. 32 amended – the method like claim 1 amended, which also brings out
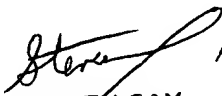
receiving the information pertaining to the multiple different user contexts (i.e. receiving

the email messages). 54 amended – computer readable media with code to produce

the user interface, also reciting the command area.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later

than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on

Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6.   Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Steven P Sax whose telephone number is (571) 272-

4072. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:00

PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Kristine Kincaid can be reached on (571) 272-4063. The fax phone number

for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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